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MEMORANDUM FOR: Deputies and Chairman of SIGINT

Committee

SUBJECT:

DoD Directive on Responsibilities of NSA and the New Central Security

Service

- 1. We now have a copy of a DoD directive which spells out the authorities, functions and responsibilities of NSA and the new Central Security Service (CSS). A copy of this is attached. Although this copy is not signed, we are assured that it is a true copy of the directive as signed by Secretary Laird last week. Thus it now has directive force within DoD.
- 2. There are some things in it that are inconsistent with the latest draft of the new NSCID 6. We will have to fight all or some of these, with the authority of the DCI. Probably the channel will be through Roger Jones in OMB. In any case, we are going to have to get the Director's views on the inconsistencies, and establish the positions he wants us to fight for, as soon as he returns. Accordingly, we will have to have a memo for him by the close of business tomorrow and we therefore request your comments not later than 10 A.M., Thursday, the 30th. Sorry about the short fuze.
- 3. At first glance, it might appear that DoD has tried to end run the new NSCID 6, some parts of which they no doubt object to. This really does not seem to be the case, however, since they were directed in the President's memorandum of November 5th to come up with an implementing directive on the new Cryptologic Command setup by January 1st.
- 4. Specifically, the following things seem to require further examination. (You may find others and if so please let us know):

NSA review(s) completed.

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